

# SMOKE SIGNALS An IVCA Publication

December 2014

#### **Holiday Lighting Contest**

For those of you who are new to Indian Village, each year the IVCA Board of Governors drive around the Village and judge the decorated homes. The top 3 homes will have winner signs placed in their yards that will remain until the beginning of the year. The top five residents will also receive monetary awards. The Grand Prize winner will receive a \$50 gift card and the 2nd through 5th place winners will each receive a \$25 gift card.

Due to unforeseen complications for one of your IVCA Board Members, the Holiday Lighting Contest has been delayed by one week. This year the judging for our annual Holiday Lighting Contest will take place from December 13th through December 16th. Please have your holiday lights turned on those nights beginning at dusk so the Board can judge your home. If you do not wish to be judged, do not turn your lights on, on those nights. The final votes will be tallied at the Board of Governor's December Meeting on December 17th. Prize winners will be notified the following weekend.

Last year 3916 Meda Pass won the Grand Prize, so that home is not eligible to be judged this year. The Grand Prize winner from 2012, 2338 Opechee Way, is eligible to be judged again this year.

Good luck to everyone!!

Indian Village Community Association Website http://www.indianvillagefw.com

#### Village Walk with Geoff Paddock

Our 5th District City Councilman, Geoff Paddock, along with a Neighborhood Code Enforcement Officer, drove around Indian Village on Saturday, November 1st, along with Chuck Chapman, Sarah Didier, and Matt Harvey. The Code Enforcement Officer made note of several addresses where streets and/or sidewalks needed attention along with homes that were in violation of city code.

# **Protective Covenants Signings**

As has been discussed in previous Smoke Signals, it is imperative that IVCA get their Protective Covenants in order. Please, if you have not signed the covenants and you want to, contact Dot Robinson at 312-8048 or Sarah Didier at 747-7141. Dot will come to your home and notarize your signatures at no charge to you.

#### **Security Patrols**

Banks Security ended their annual security protection in Indian Village on Halloween night. However, in the past, the week between Thanksgiving and Christmas has been a high crime rate time with many vehicle break-ins. Because of this, we have contracted with Banks Security to patrol Indian Village during that time. After Christmas, the security patrols will stop until Memorial Day weekend.

# **Bethany Lutheran Church's Upcoming Events**

There is 1 upcoming event that will take place at Bethany Lutheran Church, located at 2435 Engle Rd., and the residents of Indian Village are invited to attend . . . .

# Family Game Night

Saturday, December 13th, at 7pm We have traditional board games, video games, Ping-Pong, and a professional karaoke system for everyone to enjoy. Food & drinks are provided at no cost, thanks to a generous grant from the Lutheran Foundation. This event is held every second Saturday of each month.

#### Winter Snow Removal

The forecasts are showing that this winter is going to be just as bad, if not worse, than last winter was in the amount of snowfall we received. For the first time we have 2 people listed in the Services section of the Smoke Signals who will do snow removal. If you would like to be listed in the Snow Removal category of the Services section, call Sarah Didier at 747-7141 or email her at secretary@indianvillagefw.com with your name and phone number. There is no charge to be listed in the Services section.

#### **Indian Village Books**

We still have Indian Village Books that were created by ARCH for the 2011 ARCH Home and Garden Tour that was held in our neighborhood. The books are a reproduction of an actual book that was made to promote Indian Village back in the day. They are \$10 and the money collected will be used to replace trees that have been cut down. If you would like to purchase a book, contact Sarah Didier at 747-7141 or email her at secretary@indianvillagefw.com.

Your Indian Village Board of Governors would like to wish each and every resident of Indian Village a safe, healthy, and happy Holiday Season.













#### **Letter from the Editor**

To the Residents of Indian Village,

Because Indian Village currently does not have an active President, and I usually include in the final Smoke Signals for the year a column called "The Year in Review", I thought I would take the opportunity to include those items in a personal letter from myself.

2014 started off with a bang with House Bill 1107. Indian Village was the reason that bill became law on July 1, 2014. Representative Dan Leonard sponsored the bill for us in the Senate. We originally hoped to see the bill state that any neighborhood with 5 or more sections, with separate Covenants or Restrictions for each section, be able to combine themselves into one neighborhood with one set of Protective Covenants or Restrictions. The Senate liked the bill so much that they wanted the bill rewritten to include neighborhoods with 2 or more sections to have that same ability. The bill went back to the House for approval and the Governor signed it, making it law on July 1.

In April, we were blessed with absolutely beautiful weather for our annual Easter Egg Hunt. We had a fantastic turnout with many IVCA families bringing their children out to hunt eggs.

We had two neighborhood wide Garage Sales this year. One in June and one in September. Again we had a great turnout for both sales.

In July, we held our annual Bike Parade and 4th of July Picnic for residents. The children loved decorating their bikes for the parade. FWPD cars with sirens blaring led the parade to Psi Ote Park where residents feasted on Coney dogs from The Stand and chicken from Lee's.

Then came the infamous October Semiannual Meeting. This is where my heart aches for Indian Village and its residents. I witnessed residents acting like children during that very short meeting. Because of that meeting, Brent Davis decided to step down as President and Vice President, Loretta Watkins, has been acting as President ever since.

Why am I going through all these events, along with dredging up unpleasant things, you may ask. It is because I worry about the future of Indian Village as a neighborhood. It is possible that if we don't have the necessary Protective Covenant signatures by January 1, 2015, that Indian Village will not be a neighborhood as we know it now. It will be broken and divided with much uncertainty. It breaks my heart to see that happen. I love Indian Village like a fat kid loves cake! The last thing I want to see happen is for Indian Village to not be able to offer to ALL residents the events and security that we all have been privileged to experience. I fear changes that none of the residents here really want to see. The solution is, there needs to be a coming together of ALL residents into one cohesive group working for nothing more than the betterment of Indian Village and people who call this neighborhood "home". If there are residents in Indian Village who don't agree with me, maybe you need to ask yourselves "why am I living here?".

I pray that my fears will not come to fruition and that Indian Village will become stronger and more unified than it ever has been. I ask each and every one of you to take to heart what I have written here and do what is best for Indian Village and its residents.

Sincerely, Sarah Didier IVCA Secretary/Treasurer

#### **Crime Watch Corner**

The following incidents were taken from the FWPD activity logs ...

#### September:

09-23 Break-in	3900 block of Wenonah Lane
09-27 Theft	2300 block of Opechee Way

#### October:

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10-05 Vandalism	3800 block of Wenonah Lane
10-05 Vandalism	3600 block of Wenonah Lane
10-05 Battery	2500 block of Ojibway Trail
10-08 Disturbance	3800 block of Wenonah Lane
10-10 Disturbance	2100 block of Wawonaissa Trl.
10-13 Battery	3800 block of Wenonah Lane
10-16 Juvenile Investigation	4100 block of Meda Pass
10-17 Harassment	2300 block of Opechee Way
10-23 Burglary	3700 block of Hiawatha Blvd.

#### November:

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11-02 Burglary	4000 block of Enola Court	
11-04 Juvenile Investigation	3800 block of Wenonah Lane	
11-04 Intoxicated Person	3700 block of Meda Pass	
11-19 Problem Unknown	2300 block of Wawonaissa Trl.	
11-19 Molesting	3800 block of Wenonah Lane	
11-24 Juvenile Investigation	3800 block of Wenonah Lane	
11-26 Shooting	3700 block of Meda Pass	
12-05 Armed Domestic Dispute 2200 block of Opechee Way		

Please help keep Indian Village a safe place to live by reporting any suspicious activity to the Desk Sergeant at 427-1222 or call 911 if you have an emergency. Secondly, please notify the Board of Governors at ivcaboard@indianvillagefw.com or contact one of the Board Members by phone. The Board Members, and their phone numbers, are listed on the back of the Smoke Signals.

#### Classifieds

www.BanksProtectionServices.com



# **Advertising Rates**

Business Card ~ \$10 1/4 Page Ad ~ \$15 1/2 Page Ad ~ \$25 Full Page Ad ~ \$50 Ad Inserts ~ \$15

Do you want to advertise in the Smoke Signals? Call Sarah Didier at 747-7141 or email her at secretary@indianvillagefw.com.

Process Servers



Lawn Services

#### **Services**

		Lawn Services	
Child Care		Chuck Chapman	747-0432
Colette Matha	450-2161	Pat Conner	417-4044
Clothing Repair		George Perry	804-6285
Kris Conner	747-5776	Adam Sullivan	747-1520
		Kyle Sullivan	747-1520
Computer Repair			
Sarah Didier	747-7141	<b>Notary Services</b>	
Residential/Comm	percial	Judy Alcott	747-7812
Residential/Commercial		Gayla McMurray	747-7044
Homework/Tutoring		Dorothy Robinson	312-8048
Linda Kirby	747-1447	Dolothy Roomson	312 0040
Licensed K-8		Pet Sitting	
		Dorothy Cahill	478-7888
<b>House Cleaning</b>		Kelly Spitznagel	437-4283
Christi Campbell	740-4564	Keny Spitznager	737 7203
Residential/Comm	Freial	<b>Snow Removal</b>	
	747-9142	Pat Conner	417-4044
Debbie Gordon	/4/-9142	i wi commen	
Becole Gordon		George Perry	804-6285

# Indian Village Community Association Board of Governors

Loretta Watkins, Vice President	437-3874
Sarah Didier, Secretary/Treasurer	747-7141
Chuck Chapman	747-0432
Brent Davis	418-6935
Stan Robinson	478-3511

You can email the Board of Governors using the email address ivcaboard@indianvillagefw.com

# **Other Important Numbers**

One Call to City Hall	311
Geoff Paddock, Councilman	425-5745
Palermo Galindo, Community Liaison	427-6214
Fort Wayne Police Desk Sergeant	427-1222

# Sprucing Up? Adding On?

For **PRE-APPROVAL** of adding a

Garage, Deck, Fence, Shed or an Extra Room ...

Call Pat Doran at 747-7159

#### IVCA CONSTRUCTION COMPLIANCE

# **Welcoming Committee**

Are you new to Indian Village? Contact IVCA's Welcoming Committee Members, Karen Michael at 760-1587 or Sally Williams at 747-1384 to arrange a visit.

#### Indian Village Yahoo Group

Sign up to be part of IVCA's Yahoo Group. A link to the group is on the Contacts page of our website.

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